



## AfPA Welcomes Federal Government's Roadmap to Reduced Emissions in the Transport Sector by 2050

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The Australian Flexible Pavement Association (AfPA) welcomes the federal government's release of a comprehensive roadmap outlining a path to reduced emissions in the transport sector by 2050, with road infrastructure an important component.

AfPA also applauds the government's initiative to engage the public in discussions on reducing emissions within the transport sector through the newly released Transport and Infrastructure Net Zero Consultation Roadmap.

Released this week, the Roadmap identifies opportunities for productivity benefits and innovation through decarbonising transport and transport infrastructure. It is also part of a broader framework comprising six sector-specific plans targeting electricity and energy, industry, resources, the built environment, agriculture and land, and transport.

Transport is currently the third-largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in Australia, accounting for 21% of the nation's emissions in 2023, with the construction industry contributing up to 10%.

AfPA has long advocated for refreshed procurement processes to reduce emissions, including its SF4P (Sustainable Framework for Pavement) initiative, which has seen wide adoption and successful implementation across Australia.

The association has also called for major industry reforms to reduce the carbon footprints of roads, transport, and infrastructure, to help meet Australia's 2030 and 2050 decarbonisation targets. This includes reimagining how to maximise the lifespan of roads while minimising their emissions.

AfPA's CEO, Tony Aloisio, supports the initiative, stating, "We have a real opportunity to open much-needed discussions on paving the way toward Australia's roads reaching carbon zero, particularly in the lead-up to the net-zero emissions target by 2050. Sustainable efforts will not only benefit communities but also bring innovative approaches to infrastructure that are economically viable and improve the industry."

AfPA is looking forward to participating in the consultation process, offering their perspectives on how the transport sector can achieve net zero emissions by 2050. This is an invaluable opportunity for individuals, businesses, and industry stakeholders to influence policies that will drive sustainable and economically sound progress.

Mr Aloisio continues, "We look forward to consulting with the government on behalf of our members to ensure the Roadmap encourages road sustainability. We envision a future where roads are synonymous with sustainability and are eager to collaborate with the Government and broader industry to achieve this goal."

The consultation period will remain open until 26 July 2024. To access the Transport and Infrastructure Net Zero Consultation Roadmap, please visit [www.infrastructure.gov.au/NetZeroHYS](http://www.infrastructure.gov.au/NetZeroHYS)